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FYI - LA Times inquiry.

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### **MEDIA**

Los Angeles Times: Reporter Julie Cart and editor Brandi Grissom are looking to schedule in

person interviews with EPA to discuss the oil & gas industry oversight, including UIC issue in California, fracking, water quality, and air quality. Reporter is also reaching out to DOGGR as well as other state agencies the week of Dec. 15<sup>th</sup>. WATER. OPEN (v). Kelly Zito/Nahal Mogharabi.

**Ventura County Star:** Reporter Kathleen Wilson would like to speak face to face with someone regarding the ongoing cleanup and investigation at Santa Clara. Working with the program and Ventura County Health on the possibility of the interview. SFUND. OPEN. Nahal Mogharabi.

News brief issued to amplify HQ announcement: **Obama Administration selects Los Angeles Institute to improve access to local foods in low income communities.** 

http://yosemite.epa.gov/opa/admpress.nsf/2dd7f669225439b78525735900400c31/0764a7dd5e8a1b1585257daNahal Mogharabi.

News brief issued (and pitched to local reporters) to amplify HQ announcement: **Obama Administration Selects Los Angeles, Calif., Ajo, Ariz. and Fallon, Nev. to Develop Local Food Projects, Encourage Economic Expansion**: On behalf of the White House Rural

Council, six federal agencies joined to announce 26 communities selected to participate in Local

<u>Foods, Local Places,</u> a federal initiative providing technical support to integrate local food systems into community economic action plans. Margot Perez-Sullivan

Capitol Public Radio (Sacramento): Reporter Ben Adler called seeking EPA response to US Conference of Mayors Nov 2014 report and press release today claiming EPA's affordability criteria "creates a class-based environmen-tal injustice" when it comes to water quality standards and impacts to residential utility rates in Los Angeles County and other areas in Calif. Referred to HQ. HQ provided quote to reporter. OW. CLOSED. (v) Suzanne Skadowski

**Bay Crossings**, a local monthly magazine, ran a nice story this month on the SBIR grant for a toxic algae test that we <u>announced</u> in Oct: <u>Berkeley Firm Gets EPA Grant for Water-Test</u> Technology . Suzanne Skadowski

Bay Crossings also covered our Sept. <u>Green Cleaning Event</u> in their Nov. issue: <u>Tough on</u> <u>Dirt but Easy on the Earth</u>

## **WEB**

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#### Social Media:

Electronics Recycling - Posted to our <u>Facebook</u> and <u>Twitter</u> pages about recycling smart phones and linked to our <u>Electronics Donation and Recycling</u> page.

#### **Website Updates:**

Environmental Justice - Updated our <u>Environmental Justice</u> page with new contact information.

#### 9online Updates:

EIC/Library Move – Posted a new feature story on all the work going on to refine the library's collection before <u>its move to the 11<sup>th</sup> floor</u>.

# CONGRESSIONAL & INTERGOVERNMENTAL

**Rep. Paul Gosar (R-AZ-4):** Brent Maier received a call today from Julie Brown in the Congressman's District Office acknowledging an earlier call to her on the status of a response our office is drafting to let her know that we are awaiting some test sampling results from their constituent who will be sending on to our office for our review before responding to the pending Congressional correspondence regarding a constituent's concern with some material that fell from the sky in early November from overhead military aircraft. Ken Davidson in our Air Division will be drafting our response once we receive the sampling results. Brent spoke today with Julie Brown and she appreciated knowing the status of our response and that we have been in contact with their constituent.

H.R. 5781 - California Emergency Drought Relief Act: OCIR's Denis Borum is asking whether the Region has any comments on the attached House bill to address the California drought. Brent Maier forwarded on to Water Division's Tim Vendlinski, Michael Montgomery, and Kate Rao asking them to forward on any comments directly to Denis Borum. Tom Hagler in ORC is reviewing along with Water Division colleagues and comments are due back to Denis Borum in OCIR by Monday at 12:00pm PT.

